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# PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY (PENZANCE DIVISION)

## MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1963

Gentlemen:

I have the honour to present my Annual Report for the year ending 31st December 1963 in compliance with Ministry of Health Form Port 20.

## SECTION I - (STAFF)

I regret to inform you of the death of your Medical Officer of Health Dr. W. Leslie on December 6th 1963.

## SECTION II - AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE DISTRICT WITHIN THE YEAR

TABLE 'B'

| Ships from | Number | Net Tonnage | Number Inspected By the M.O.H. | Number Inspected By Sanitary Inspector | Number of Ships inspected as having or having had during the voyage Infectious Disease on Board |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Foreign Ports | 518 | 18,266 | 24 | 16 | Nil |
| Coastwise | 584 | 205,205 | 50 | 89 | Nil |
| | 1102 | 223,471 | 74 | 105 | Nil |

## SECTION III - CHARACTER OF TRADE AND SHIPPING DURING THE YEAR.

Character of Shipping: The shipping using Penzance Harbour comprises small Coastwise vessels of up to approximately 500 net tonnage and a few similar ships from the Channel Ports of Northern Europs. The R.M.S. "Scillonian" runs daily in the summer season, and three days per week in the winter between Penzance and the Isles of Scilly. The Trinity House Ship "Stella" is permanently based on Penzance Harbour. There is a Dry-Dock and Repair's Yard for small ships at Penzance which carries on an active industry. At Newlyn small Coastwise and Foreign-going vessels call to load crushed stone from the Newlyn Quarry. Additionally at Newlyn, British, Dutch, French and Belgian trawlers and small French Crabbers land fish for sale at the Fish Market there.

Character of Trade: Imports at Penzance are Coal, Cement, artificial manures, and general goods from Home and Foreign Ports, and Flowers and vegetables from the Isles of Scilly. Exports from Newlyn are crushed stone to Home and Foreign Ports and shell-fish (lobseters) to France. Exports from Penzance are general goods to the Isles of Scilly. There is an active Fish Market at Newlyn Harbour. The only passenger traffic in the Port Authority Area is that to and from the Isles of Scilly in the R.M.S. "Scillonian". There is no passenger traffic between your ports and any foreign port.

TABLE 'C'

Passenger Traffic — Outwards / Inwards — approximately 18,000 Day-Trippers, Holiday and Business passengers to and from the Isles of Scilly during the past year.

Cargo Traffic - Principal Imports - Coal, cement, artificial manures, wood, general goods, flowers vegetables, fish.

Principal Exports - General goods to the Isles of Scilly. Crushed stone to Home and Foreign ports.

Principal Ports from which ships arrive - Home Ports and the Channel ports of France, Holland, Belgium and Germany.

SECTION IV - INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC

None

SECTION V - WATER SUPPLY

No Change

SECTION VI - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS 1952

No Change.

SECTION VII - SMALLPOX

1. Cases of Smallpox would be sent to the County Isolation Hospital at Truro.
2. Ambulance Transport and the vaccinal state of the ambulance crews are the responsibility of the Cornwall County Council
3. The County Medical Officer of Health - who has a panel of 4 consultants - would be requested to supply the services of a smallpox consultant.
4. Facilities for the Laboratory diagnosis of Smallpox are available at the Royal Cornwall Infirmary, Truro.

SECTION VIII - VENEREAL DISEASE

No Change

SECTION IX - NOTIFIABLE OR OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASE

No cases of notifiable or infectious disease during the year 1963.

SECTION X - OBSERVATIONS ON THE OCCURRENCE OF MALARIA IN SHIPS.

Nil Return

SECTION XI - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED OF PLAGUE

Nil Return

## SECTION XII - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

No facilities for de-ratting of ships exist at Penzance or Newlyn.
Rodents killed in Dock Area - 20 Rats - 48 mice

### TABLES 'E' and 'F'

Nil Returns.

## SECTION XIII - INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES

### TABLE 'G'

### INSPECTION OF NUISANCES

| Nature and Number of Inspections | | Notices Served Statutory Notices | Other Notices | Results of Serving Notices |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ships from foreign ports | 40 | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Coastwise Ships | 139 | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| TOTAL | 179 | Nil | Nil | Nil |

## SECTION XIV - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELL-FISH) REGULATIONS 1934 and 1938

Not Applicable

## SECTION XV - MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

Not Applicable

## SECTION XVI - MISCELLANEOUS

Nil Return

I have the honour to be,
Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

(Signed) J. A. REID
Acting M.O.H.